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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **A MICROFLUIDIC DESIGN AUTOMATION METHOD AND SYSTEM** the specification of which was filed on **June 27, 2001** as Application No. **09/894,857**.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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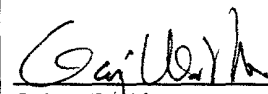
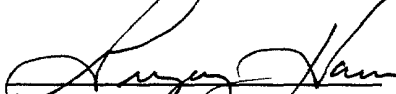

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